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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENTS

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Randolph Building, 401 Dulany Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Prior to any action on the merits, please amend as follows, with Applicant's reply to the Official Action of October 1, 2007, following in the Remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 53 of this paper.